

Belmont Schools English Curriculum Map – Year 1

Theme/Term	Journeys & exploration – Autumn 1		Helpful heroes – Autumn 2	
Writing Root/ Spelling Seed Text	Strong Start	Naughty Bus Jan Oke and Jerry Oke 	Dragon Post Emma Yarlett 	<i>Billy and the Beast</i> Nadia Shireen 
Length	12 sessions, 2+weeks	16 sessions, 3+ weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks
Outcomes	Grammar, punctuation and sentence structure	Own adventure stories Letters, diaries, sequels, non-chronological reports	Guide to look after a dragon, Letter asking for help, note of advice, instructions, menu, speech bubbles, journey	Own version ‘defeat a monster’ narratives Wanted posters, summaries, emails, character descriptions, recipes
Theme/Term	Imagination & creativity – Spring 1		Similarities & differences – Spring 2	
Writing Root/ Spelling Seed Text	<i>Dadaji’s Paintbrush</i> Rashmi Sirdeshpande 	<i>The Magic Bed</i> John Burningham 	<i>The Comet</i> Joe Todd-Stanton 	<i>The Odd Egg</i> Emily Gravett 
Length	10 sessions, 2 weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks
Outcomes	Guides Labels, captions, character comparisons, thought and speech bubbles	Own version fantasy stories Setting descriptions, additional scenes, description of magical piece of furniture, lists	Own version narratives Posters, letters of advice, poem, description, writing in role, recipes	Egg-spotter’s guides (non-fiction reports) Thought and speech bubbles, diaries, letter, certificates
Theme/Term	Friendship & Kindness – Summer 1		Nature and Environment - Summer 2	
Writing Root/ Spelling Seed Text	<i>Lost and Found</i> Oliver Jeffers 	<i>Beegu</i> Alexis Deacon 	<i>Stella and the Seagull</i> Georgina Stevens 	<i>Dinosaurs and all that Rubbish</i> Michael Foreman 
Length	15 sessions, 3 weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks	15 sessions, 3 weeks
Outcomes	Own version ‘losing/finding’ narratives Character descriptions, retellings, advice, instructions, non-chronological reports	Own version ‘alien’ narratives Descriptions, commands, letters, nonsense-word dictionary, poems, non-fiction reports	Own version narrative Lists, thought bubbles, speech bubbles, posters, guides, instructions	Pamphlets Letters, setting descriptions, instructions, narrative retellings, pamphlets, posters